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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

LILJEGREN and YANOFSKY

Application No.: 09/548,971

Filed: April 13, 2000

For: CONTROL OF FRUIT
DEHISCENCE IN ARABIDOPSIS BY
INDEHISCENT1 GENES

Examiner: Kruse, David H.

Art Unit: 1638

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the amendments and remarks below. A petition for a two-month extension of the period for response, from August 8, 2002 to October 8, 2002, accompanies this Amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the sentence on page 1, lines 9-13, beginning "This application...."

Please insert the following on page 14, line 13 as a new paragraph:

--This application is related to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/349,677, filed July 8, 1999, which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No.

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